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TRANSMITTAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION AND REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT SHOWING CORRECT PRIORITY CLAIM

Sir:

The above-referenced application was filed on June 29, 2001. In the Response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of the Application, filed December 6, 2001. Applicants submitted a declaration claiming priority to German Applications 10055168.8 and 10055169.6, both filed 11 August 2000, and 1003797.0 and 10037990.7, both filed 08 March 2000. Certified copies of these priority applications were filed on January 29, 2004.

However, the Declaration/Power of Attorney, filed December 6, 2001, inadvertently provided incorrect foreign priority application dates. Specifically, in the Declaration, the German applications 10055168.8 and 10055169.6 filing dates should be 08 November 2000, and

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the German applications 10037971.0 and 10037990.7 filing dates should be 03 August 2000. The dates were reversed on the Declaration/Power of Attorney filed December 6, 2001.

In the Amendment of January 29, 2004, Applicants requested that a requirement for submission of a Supplemental Declaration be held in abeyance. Applicants now enclose two Supplemental Declarations, one signed by inventors Thomas Ackermann and Johannes Birzer, and the other signed by inventor Wolfgang Horn, which list the correct priority application information. Applicants request that the Supplemental Declarations be made of record in the application file.

As the correct foreign priority information was provided when the application was originally filed and the certified copies of the correct priority documents were provided during prosecution, Applicants' error resulted without deceptive intent.

REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF FOREIGN PRIORITY APPLICATION DATA

Applicants request entry of the correct foreign priority data into the application file so that the issued patent will have this correct priority information appearing on its face.

REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

Applicants request issuance of a corrected Filing Receipt showing the correct priority application information.

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be due in connection with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-1703.

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Respectfully submitted,

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